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From: tim storer [timstorer@cox.net]
Sent: Monday, March 01, 2010 5:47 PM
To: Newman-Web
Subject: SSVEC

Dear Commissioner Newman:

I have written to you previously concerning Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative. I am a member of the utility cooperative, living in Sonoita.

I am writing concerning the March hearing in front of the Commission concerning the utility's proposal to construct a 69 Kv line to Sonoita, and my concerns about how the utility management is acting in response to members concerns about the environmental and aesthetic impacts the new line might have.

Let me say up front that I am not a troublemaker, as the utility management might imagine. You may know of the public relations campaign the utility management is conducting against its own members who would like to be part of their cooperative's decision making for the future of the Sonoita area.

I would like to make some suggestions as to how the ACC might be able to help guide a constructive dialogue between management and members in consideration of this new line, and what it means for the future.

First, the members are aware of the hostile attitude taken by management towards the members who question the necessity of this new line, at this time. To defuse this hostility, I would first suggest the ACC consider a mediator to sit down with both parties, to try to produce a cooperative attitude by management in sharing apparently heretofore withheld technical information to prove or disprove the necessity of such a large, and expensive line, across the grasslands.

Members would also like to ask management questions about long term plans considered by SSVEC to increase alternative energy. If mediation does not happen, I am afraid the situation will continue to deteriorate.

I also want to tell you that a solar installer in our area, Net Zero Solar, has informed me that SSVEC has recently told him they cannot rebate more than 300,000.\$ owed to his company for work completed, and as a result, he may be in financial trouble. I was told that SSVEC informed him (Chad Waits) tht it may be 2-3 years before they can pay for work done. Due to the fact that they spent their rebate money. I suspect that these funds may have been mismanaged by SSVEC and would request the ACC investigate the matter. If Mr. Waits has reported this to you, that is good. The question for me is why did not SSVEC tell the supplier, or the members earlier, that funds would not be available?

Thank you for all your efforts in these matters.

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